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WICHITA, KANSAS, SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 16, 1897.

SMOKE CLEARS AWAY

PRESIDENT JOHNSON IN POSSES-SION OF THE FIELD.

BY WHATEVER MEANS

WITH LYNCH'S PIGHTING POWERS QUITE UNIMPAIRED.

ID HE'LL FIGHT ANOTHER DAY

DALLAHAN'S VICTORY OVER VIN-CENT IS COMPLETE, AFTER ALL.

ot Exquerated, and Must Reales Mynn's Supporters Marked Mon -Free Homes Rejoicings.

Guthrie, O. T., Jan. 15 .- (Special.)-Phis was an uneventful day in the cap-Ital of Oklahoma. The scrap between nator Lynch and Mr. President John of the senate was discussed a great deal, but outside of that the gossip around the hotels and in the lobbles of legislature is not worth recording. net visible result of the Johnson-Lynch combat is that Senator Lynch Senator Fisher by without nong him. It is said that they are not peaking terms. The row, 30 far as it has gone, is purely Democratic. Johnson, Lynch and Fisher are all Democrats and so was every other man who took active part in it. All the big Demperiats of the territory were out today with either one of the factions, and ral movement is being made all slong the line, from Governor Renfrow m, to restore harmony. The Popuare the ones that caused the trouble and they are being cursed freely. They the ones that played the traitors to the Lynch combine. The fact will develop that Senator Fisher was not blamable as his position appeared at first. His friends say that he went into the combine in good faith, but that while he was in the desertion end treachery of the Pops took place, entirely crippling the combine majority, and seeing this, Senator Fisher had to slide back to his old ellies as quickly as possible. A great many people think that Senator Pisher's part in the matter was not at all dishonorable. President Johnson of the senate says that he made no compromise with Senator Lynch and that the results of the first senator Lynch and that the Lynch combine. The fact will develwith Senator Lynch and that the result of the fight was a square victory for him and a square defeat for Mr. Lynch. This is denied by some mighty good men who understood the details of the quarrel.

of the quarrel.

"I want to say," sand one very prominent Democrat, "that Johnson's victory is not one to brag over. His action now teminds me of something I saw down in Missouri at one time. A big man licked his wife and he went out into the atreets telling how he did it."

Events will prove that it will be advantageous to Mr. Johnson to conciliate Mr. Lynch. If he does not make peace with him he will be sorry some day. Mr. Lynch is a man who understands men better than Mr. Johnson and his ability to organize a sturdy fighting element is better than that of Mr. Johnson. Both of them, in fact, are able men, but of different types. Lynch will fight to the to organize a sturdy fighting element is better than that of Mr. Johnson. Both of them, in fact, are able men, but of different types. Lynch will fight to the last ditch, but Johnson, while able to make a splendid dash, has not the fighting tenacity of his antagonist. Lynch will be a thorn in the side. ing tenacity of his antagonist. Lynch will be a thorn in the side of the presiss peace is made. Mr. Lynch willing to make peace on terms that will not violently humiliate the pride will not violently humiliate the pride of the president. One thing that is greatly in favor of Mr. Lynch is his reputation for staying with his friends under ev-ery and all circumstances. Mr. Johnwhile a man of seemingly robust health, has not the physical strength to engage in a hard fight of long duration. is subject to physical prostration and ly in the forenoon of yesterday he d to request an adjournment because was worn out because of the strain

of the preceding twelve hours' fight.

Both men are royal good fellows and
their friends are very anxious to see harmony between them. The program of the Democrats in the legislature was to do work in the two bodies upon which they could build up a strong Democratic party in the territory for future use. This was their cherished ides, but with Johnson, Lynch and Fisher at logerheads the of acomplishing their inten-

ns are very poor. There is a new feature to the Vincent-Callshan fight which became known to-day. It now develops that Vincent was not exonerated by the Populist territorial committee at all. A resolution purporting to exonerate Vincent was published in the Eagle, but the resolution did not T. E. Willis. pass. It was offered but that part of it
exonerating Vincent was not adopted.
On the contrary, Mr. Bray, a Populist
St. Clair, John Hogan, T. H. Doyle, R. suring Vincent, and it was only with-drawn on the promise and egreement territorial Populist committee. Mr. Vintion soon. A leading Democrat who took a prominent part in the whole matter and who was a witness in the courtiers—A. H. Ellis, John martial of Vincent by the territorial committee, told the Eagle correspondent some new and hitherto unpublished letails of the light.

'I will tell you," he said, "that Vincent and Morris were guilty as charged by Mc. Callahan, I don't think they in.

y Mr. Callahan. I don't think they intended to act traitorously towards him, but they surely made the mistake that got him into that trouble at Mul'all, soil when Callahon made a fool of himself in making the statement with ref-cience to the Free points bill that placed him in such an about and dangerous position, they threw the biame on him-locause they did not have the manhood to take the blame on the inselves.

take the blame on themselves. "I cont and Morris had seed, We made n's mistake and we are sorry fo ere would have been on troubl The legislature practically adjourned right until Monday to give the west members a chance to go home. There may be a very short session in the nicraing, but no work is expected to

ous fight is being made on every candidate for a position who has been in the least tainted with Flynnism. Even little boys whose uncles voted for whose aunts were a Flynn the considered as applicants for the cons

very silly thing happened a few go. Rev. Buckner of the First ago. Rev. Buckner of the First odist church, of Guthrie, was a late for chaplain of the lower house.

While his name was being considered a caucus a Populist came out of the com, hunted him up and put the question direct to him: "Did you vote for kner admitted that he did. their order: ereupon he was told that his name

the office of chaplain. This neatly illustrates the littleness of Populists.

News of the passage of the Free homes bill was received in Guthrie with every manifestation of joy. There was no particular demonstration, but individual hurrahs for Dennis pierced the night air. Flynn was never nearer the hearts of the people of Oklahoma than he is now.

SENATE IN DETAIL. Every senator was in his seat at roll call promptly at 10 o'clock this morning and listened to the invocation of Rev. Jones, which was a plea for harmony and wise legislation. Under the order of introduction of bills

Garrison of Grant county sent to the clerk's desk twelve bills, which were read by title as follows: Council Bill No. L-An act providing for the leasing of public lands in the territory.

Council Bill No. 2-An act to punish trespassing on public lands under control of the territory of Oklahema. Council Bill No. 3.—An act to prohibit corrupt use of money and corrupt practices at elections

Council Bill No. 4.-An act requiring

Council Bill No. 6 .- An act to exempt certain property from taxation.

Council Bill No. 7.—An act changing

Council Bill No. 7.—An act changing the time of listing property for taxation. Council Bill No. 8.—An act relating to pools, trusts and combinations.

Council Bill No. 9.—An act to protect cities and counties against illegal and fraudulent acts of officers.

Council Bill No. 10.—An act to provide for uniformity of text books.

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Council Bill No. 11.—An act preseribing the manner of payment of obliga-

tion of debt.
Council Bill No. 12.—An-act relating to mortgages of personal property, intro-duced by Gould of Canadian. Council Bill No. 13.—An act to abolish

the office of oil inspector.
Introduced by Johnson of Noble:
Council Bill No. 14.—An act providing for additional employes, etc.

Brown of Clifton moved the appointment of a committee on mileage.

The president appointed Brown, Fisher senator Garrison's motion that the council proceed to the drawing of seats

council proceed to the drawing of seats was suspended until tomorrow.

The council then resolved itself into a committee of the whole, with Senator Gould presiding, for the consideration of council bill No. 14, providing for extra employes. Brown and Randolph opposed the hasty consideration of the measure and the former moved that the bill be printed and made a special order for printed and made a special order for 16:39 a. m. tomorrow. The motion was lost and the bill and amendments were referred back to the council with the rec ommendation that they pass. The bill provides for the following additional clerks and employes:

Three assistant clerks. Eight additional enrolling and lengrossing clerks.

Three assistant sergeants-at-arms.

Also clerks for the following committees Judiciary, ways and means, education, municipal corporations, railroads, elections, private corporations, and corporate laws, public lands, public institutions, printing, enrolling and engrossing, poarantine and animal industry, countless and county affairs.

Watchman, janitor and four pages, LOWER HOUSE IN DETAIL. The house opened this morning with the usual preliminaries and immediately proreeded to consider the report of the committee on order of business, which consisted of the usual rules, of business. They were adopted without amendment. The speaker presented the following regular committees, and they were adopted without an amendment:

Criminal Jurisprudence-T. H. Doyle, John Hogan, George W. Vickers, M. E.

Ferguson, T. E. Willis.
Railroads and Private Corporations—
T. H. Doyle, T. E. Willis, G. B. Allen, W. R. Berry, Dale Lytton, N. W. Christian, G. P. Cherry. Education-G. E. Olson, T. E. Willis

A. A. Ellig, F. J. Woodmansee, G. P. Cherry, W. J. Gault, J. W. May, Regulation of the Liquor Traffic—W. Christian, W. L. Suillvan, T. J. Woodmansee, R. B. Shannon, J. K. Graves,
Agriculture—J. W. May, S. M. St. Clair
J. M. Stovall, Albert H. Ellis, G. P.

Cherry.
Municipal Corporations—Wm. J. Gault
W. Christian, M. E. Ferguson, E. E. Olson, J. P. D. Mouriquad, Thos. H. Do C. M. Barnes. Insurance—Ben F. Wilson, T. J. P. D. Mouriquad, Thos. H. Doyle,

Doyle, John Hogan, D. S. Rose, E. B. Banks and Banking—G. P. Cherry, S. M. St. Clair, T. J. Woodmansee, J. K. Graves, J. P. Mouriquad, J. E. George,

M. E. Ferguson, W. S. Sullivan,
Printing-T. E. Willis, W. Christian,
J. K. Graves, E. E. Olson, J. E. George,
County and Township Organs-M. E.
Ferguson, E. B. Allen, R. B. Shannon,
C. M. Barnes, Dale Lytton, G. P. Cherry,
T. F. Willse

Penitentiary and Reform Institutions ditor of Enid. offered a resolution cen-suring Vincent, and it was only with-lrawn on the promise and egreement Hogan, R. S. Shannon, J. E. George, E.

to resign his position as chairman of the territorial Populist committee. Mr. Vincent is expected to tender his resignable. B. Allen, D. C. Lytton, W. J. Gault, J. P.

Elections and Legislative Appropria-tions—A. H. Ellis, John Hogan, C. M. Barnes, J. M. Stoval, W. Christian, J. E. George, G. P. Cherry.
Militia-R. B. Shannon, A. H. Ellis, W. T. Gault.

Engrossed Bills-T. J. Woodmansee E. Olson, A. H. Ellis, D. S. Rose, C. M. Rules—J. C. Tousley, Dale Lytton, C. M. Barnes, T. H. Doyle, John Hogan, Fish and Game—W. L. Sullivan, J. W.

May, G. W. Vickers.

Asylums and Public Charities-R. B. Asylums and Public Charities—R. B. Shannon, A. H. Ellis, G. P. Cherry, J. M. Stovali, M. E. Ferguson.

Manufactures and Home Industries—L. M. St. Clair, Ben. F. Willis, A. H. Ellis J. M. Stovall, M. E. Ferguson.

A council concerrent resulution No. 1. memorilizing the senate to pass the free homes bill was not an account.

homes bill, was read and was adopted. Council concurrent resolution No. 2, memorializing the senate to confirm the appointment of Judge Keaton, was read

and adopted. There was considerable talk of changing some members seats who were no satisfied, but it did not come to a vote. An act to regulate the listing of personal prosperity was the first bill in-troduced, that honor falling to J. W.

out notice to the speaker, at which Mr. Rose objected. He insisted that the member desiring to introduce a bill rise, be recognized by the speaker, and announce that he desired to introduce a bill, which that he desired to introduce a bill, which bill shall be read by title by the reading The rule was recognized and orelerk. ered followed by the speaker. The following bills were introduced in

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READY FOR REFORM

CANOVAS GOES EVEN BEYOND HIS AUTHORITY.

So it is Said, But He has Arranged Matters so He Can Save the Poor Pretence of nals of Enropean Capitals Appland Him. Reminding Him That it Was Either That or War-Havana Scared to Death Again-Sherman's Cuban Policy-Cuban News.

London, Jan. 15 .- A dispatch to the Pall Mall Gazette from Madrid says that at a cabinet meeting just held there, the queen regent presiding, it was agreed to introduce reforms in Cuba, and a royal decree on the subject will be published on the king's fete day. It is added that it is possible that Jose Sanguilly, the payment of taxes in money.

Council Bill No. 5.—An act to provide for listing of bonds, mortgages, notes, etc., for taxation.—

it is possible that Jose Sanguilly, the American clitzen recently sentenced at Havann to imprisonment, will be granted a free pardon.

ed a free pardon. TERMS OF THE REFORMS. New York, Jan. 16,-A Madrid special

to the World says: The queen regent asented generally to the general outlines of the scheme for the Cuban reforms which Bremier Can-

the Cuban reforms which Bremier Can-ovas submitted to her today at a cabinet council over which she presided. In explaining his plans the premier informed the queen that he believed the moment was fast approaching when it would be both possible and expedient to give Cuba more extensive reforms than those recently granted to Porto Bloo.

The government has already drawn up

greater concessions in the shape of self-government. The Cortes will be con-voked to ratify this act, of which the ex-

ecutive assumes the responisbility.
With a view of promoting the pacification of the West Indies, general amnesty for political and ordinary offenders will be proclaimed on the little king's saint day, January 23, and the Madrid newspapers believe the Cuban reforms will be published early in February, with

out awaiting the results of the military operations.

The government will not undertake tariff reforms in the West Indies apart from the political and administrative concessions, because the wishes of the colonies in the research lack earliers in the research. colonies in that regard clash seriously with the Spanish trade and interests. But in order to secure the good will of the United States the Spanish statesmen will certainly oblige the protectionists to assent to the West Indies tariff reform and a reciprocity treaty with the Folization and a reciprocity treaty with the United States afterwards

EUROPE SAYS LET GO. odon, Jan. 15.-The Standard's Madrid correspondent, with reference to the may be coming decree for Cuban reforms, which, he says, the queen regent has completely priated.

approved, telegraphs as follows:
"It is evident that the government wishes to indicate that it has acted spontaneously, even going beyond the pow-ers already voted by the cortes, which will have to grant a bill of indemnity for the new decree. The reforms will show how far Spain is prepeared to go in decentralization without surrendering any rights or prerogatives of the home soverument or the cortes in which home government or the cortes, in which boin Cuba and Porto Rico will have due rep-

"It will also be seen that in the reform of the tariff Spain is disposed to make sacrifices compatible with the needs of the Cuban budget. More can hardly be and Spaniards will anxiously watch the effects of this change of policy in the New World."
The Standard says of this dispatch in

an editorial: The plan owes its origin to Senor Canovas, and it is a foregone conclusion

that the council of state will approve the "It is Spain's only safe policy. She incurs grave risk of rupture with the Unit-ed States by continuing the war. She right in refusing to quit her hold of

Cuba. If the insurgents are discontented with the concession Spain is justified in severe use of the sword. "Senor Canovas has taken a courageous line in braving a storm of popular

passion. We hope there is enough com-mon sense and loyalty in the country to support him. The time could not have been more wisely chosen, because there is no appearance of yielding to American

Paris, Jan. 15 .- A dispatch from Madrid to the Temps referring to the Cuban a reciprocity treaty with the United decree says that later the question of a reciprocity treaty with the United States more liberal than the convention of 1891, between Senor Canovas and Mr. John W. Foster will be negotiated.
DENIAL AFTER DENIAL.

Madrid, Jan. 15.—Senor Canovas del Castillo, the Spanish premier, in an in-terview declares that absolutely no ne-gotiations are proceeding between Spain and the United States on the subject of Cuba. He explained that he was igno ant of the source of the rumors and desired to state that they were pletely unfounded. On the other hand, it is believed that early in February the government will publish a decree providing for Cuba reforms, allowing as much my as the sovereignty of Spain

Washington, Jan. 15 .- The Spanish le gation has received no information con-cerning the subjects referred to in to-day's London cable, which said that exnded Cubon reforms were to be an ounced on the coming fete day of the king. The fete day referred to is May I7 and is the king's christening day. His pirthday is on the 23rd of this month. In thir date Minister De Lome will give a banquet in honor of the event

TURMOIL IN HAVANA. Cincinnati, O., Jan. 15,-A special to the commercial Tribune from Key West, Fia., says: Reports from Havana this evening are that the palace officials exhibit unusual excotement and that num-crous secret orders have been issued to commanders of troops in the city. Two roop ships have been ordered up to the ers and several battalions were embark ed tonight. General Weyler refused all information today as to the news from either the east or the west.

MANNER OF MACEO'S DEATH. Havana (via Key West), Jan. 15.-It develops more and more clearly every day that Antonio Maceo was led into an to surfements made by prominent insurgents who have been entrusted with
the tack of investigating the facts of his
death, Maceo was permitted to pass the
multirary line across Pinar del Rio in pursuance of the plan which resulted in his
murder. After crossing, Maceo, with a
tion. small escort, was making his way into Havana province with the intention of meeting the insurgent forces which had been ordered to concentrate at a place previously agreed upon, when he and his followers were suddenly confronted by

guerillas, was fired at the insurgents, and Maceo sank, wounded and dying, upon his saddle. So far the account agrees with that given out by the Spanagrees with that given out by the Spanish authorities. But the insurgents now insist that Macco's followers distinctly saw Dr. Zertucha, Macco's personal physician, among the guerillas, who apparently had ambushed the insurgents and they point to this and other facts as proof that Macco was betrayed by the physician. It also seems true that the Spaniards succeeded later in getting possession of Macco's body, in fastening it to the tail of a horse and in starting with it towards the Spanish main body. The to the tail of a horse and in starting with it towards the Spanish main body. The insurgents, however, railied and charged again, obtaining possession of their leader's remains, and carried them to a place of safety. The body was afterwards given a military burial at a spot which is known to but a few of the most prominent of Maceo's associates. This is the reason that the Spaniards have been unable to find the body of their dreaded enemy and expanise why they have been enemy and explains why they have been unable to establish the fact of his death beyond producing the articles which were stolen from his body at the place of

SPRINGER TELLS OLNEY. Washington, Jan. 15.—Mr. Springer, United States vice consul general at Ha-vana, is in the city on leave of absence from his post. He had a personal interriom his post. He had a personal inter-view with Secretary Olney and set out fully all that had taken place in Hawana during General Lee's absence from the city, while he (Mr. Springer) acted as consul igeneral, and also the status of affairs at the date of his departure for the United States. Mr. Springer was also affairs at the date.

Although the United States. Mr. Springer was also in conference today with Assistant Sector to the fair of the bill and take no action on it before adjournment, which course would effect-unity dispose of it. Cuba and the various claims now before the state department preferred by per-sons who have suffered in person or in

property from the war.
GOMEZ RECEIVES SUPPLIES. The council of state will be consulted shortly concerning another decree to be issued by Premier Canovas himself to grant to both Cuba and Porto Rico still greater concessions in the shape of self-government. The Cortes

HORSA MAN BOUND OVER. HORSA MAN BOUND OVER.

New York. (Jan. 15.—On the complaint of Arturo R. Topete, the Spanish consul, Enrique Trujillo, editor of the Culan newspaper El Porvenir, was arrested today. The prisoner was taken before United States Commissioner Shie'ds, who fixed his ball at \$2,500 and set his heaving for next week. set his hearing for next week. The war-rant upon which the arrest was rando charges that Trujillo nided and abetted in a military expedition to Cuba by means of the steamship Horse, which left this port on November 9, 1895. Tru-fillo furnished a cash bond.

TO BUY CUBA OF SPAIN. Washington. Jan. 15.—Representative medi Spencer of Mississippi, today introduced the a bill which follows:

The secretary of state is authorized to give the government of Spain a sum of money not to exceed \$200,000,000 for the purchase of the Island of Cuba; and the sum of \$10,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary to defray the expenses of pending negotiations, is hereby appro-

priated.

FASY TO MAKE EXCUSES.

New York, Jan. 15.—According to the press advices, the garrison of Santa Clars, recently captured by Gomez, has been reduced to 2,000 men, while Gomez had 8,000 men, 6,000 being armed. On January 5, he invested the city, which was well forrified. was well fortified.

SHERMAN'S CUBAN PROGRAM Punch the Intervention Button But Les Spain do the Rest.

Pitsburg, Pa., Jan. 15.-The Dispatch tomorrow will say:
"The Cuban policy of the McKinley administration will differ very little from that which has been laid down by President Cleveland and his secretary state. This statement is based on re-marks made to a reporter by the man who will be premier of the next adminis-

tration, Senator John Sherman, at the Union depot this morning. "The veteran statesman was on bla way back to Washington from Canton. After stating that his position in the next cabinet had been determined, Sena-

tor Sherman said, in answer to a quement should not interfere with the Cu ban war, either to aid in its settlement or do anything which would make a peaceful government of the island a charge on this country. I understand on high authority that Prime Minister Canovas has outlined a program of govern-mental reforms which will be applied both in Spain and in Cuba. These reforms will give the Cubans practical au-tonomy and will, I hope, settle the ques-

Senator Sherman refused to discuss the result in the Ohio senatorial field following his entry into the cabinet. He claimed he did not know who would succeed him. He also claimed ignorance of any other definite assignments in Presi-dent-elect McKinley's cabinet.

Senator Iturrows of Michigan, who had accompanied Senator Sherman to Canton, said he had urged Mr. McKin-

ley to appoint Russell A. Alger of his state, secretary of war. "Both the statesmen said a tariff bill will be the first thing on the program after the special session of congress has been called together on March 18. Senator Sherman thinks the bill can be push-

HAULED VOTERS TO THE POLLS So Bugh John MacDonald, Member for Winnipeg, is Ousted.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 16.—The election of Hugh John MacDonald as member of the Dominion house of commons for Win nipeg was declared void this morning or admissions made by his election agents. Only one witness was examined, and his testimony related to the hiring of vehicles to take voters to the polls. This against the Canadian election laws.

DENIED IN THE DOMINION That Canada is Working With Dingley for

Reciprocity.
Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 15.—Reports from Washington that John Charlton, M. P., and Edward Farrer are negotiating with Chairman Dingley and other members of the ways and means committee for a reciprocity treaty on behalf of the Dominion government are officially denied here. A statement was given out by the authorities today that no one had been appointed by Canada to go to Washingion or elsewhere in connection with the subject of reciprocity or any tariff ar-rangement with the United States.

SUITS ME, FAUDEL-PHILLIPS Arbitration Treaty Might be Celebrated With the Queen's Jubilee

London, Jan. 15 .- The lord mayor an interview in the Star on the arbitra tion treaty, is quoted as saying that he agrees with President Cleveland that the agrees with Frement Clevenand that the trenty is a long step in the right direction, as an alliance of peace between Great Britain and America was natural on account of kinsnip. He also approved of the suggestion of a great parade or demonstration to celebrate the event and thought it might be made a sallent feature.

followers were suddenly controlled by the Spanish force under Major Cirujeda.

Macco promptly ordered a charge and led it in person, when a volley from the Spanish advance guard, composed of Spanish advance guard, composed of lante and Pacific stock and junior bends.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE SENDS THE FREE HOMES BILL.

Fears are Felt That This Action May be the Death of the Bill, for Beasons Given, It Stelog Stated That the House Committee has Been None Too Enthustastic in Much Less - Private Bill Day in the House-Committee Work-Congressional

Washington, Jan. 15 .- The supporters of the free homestead bill fear that the measure has been killed, so far as this ongress is concerned, by the action of Speaker Reed in referring it to the house committee on public lands for consideration of the senate amendments. The house committee is not strongly in favor of the plan. That committee voted to report the bill to the house by a majority of only one when it provided only for free nomes for the Oklahoma settlers.

The senate amendments greatly widen the scope of the bill, extending its provisions to all public land states, and it is doubtful whether the house committ will sanction the changes. The bill's

Washington, Jan. 15 .- The proceedings in the house today were very tame. It was private bill day but the whole time was consumed in passing through the house bills favorably acted upon in committee of the whole before the holiday recess. The widew of the late Major General John Gibon was the beneficiary of one of the bills passed, carrying \$190 per month, and the widow of Brevet Major General W. A. Nichols of pastless are serviced. another, carrying \$75 per month. The free homestead bill, which came back to the house with senate amendments, was referred, under the ruling of the chair, to the committee on public lands.

SMALL BILLS WORKED OFF. Washington, Jan. 15.—For several days Speaker Reed has been recognizing mehmbers to call up small bills of local importance at the opening of each day's session. Today a number of such bills passed.

A resolution of inquiry calling on the secretary of the interior for the reason for his refusal to issue patents to lands

but General Curtis (Rep., N. Y.) and Mr. Grosvenor (Rep., Ohio.) took the view that the distinguished services of

recognition. General Grosvenor stated in connection with the apparent effort of some mem-bers to wipe out distinctions between the widows of private soldiers and officers that in his long experience as a member of the G. A. R. he had never heard of antipathy expressed by private soldiers to recognition of the meritorious

services of officers.

A bill was passed to increase the pen sion of Clara N. Nichols, widow of Brevet Major General W. A. Nichols, to

All the unfinished business was disposed of but the calendar was not reach-

FREE HOMES BILL REFERRED. The speaker referred the free homes bill, with senate amendments, to the public lands committee, despite the fact that the senate had requested a conference on the measure. The speaker ruled that to grant th senate request to make it privileged would place it in the other privileged would place it in the other branch of congress to determine what measures should be privileged. At 5 p. m. the bouse took a recess until 8 o'clock this evening, the session to

be devoted to pension legislation. NIGHT SESSION. At the evening session of the house, fourteen private pension bills were re-ported, with a favorable recommendation Among them were bills granting a pension of 159 per month to the widow of General Green Clay Smith, and 175 per month to the widow of General Henry A. Morrow. The last mentioned bill was advocated by Representative Mercer, who had the amount increased from \$50

to the amount named. HOUSE COMMITTEE WORK. Washington, Jan. 15.-The Republican ways and means committee men had their second conference on the tariff bill today, continuing their work on the chemical schedule. No rates were fixed definitely but most of the discussion was upon chemical dyes, and a sub-com-mittee was appointed to investigate the

mittee was appointed to investigate the borax rates, production, etc.

Washington, Jan. 15.—The election contest from the Third Louisiana district was decided by the house elections committee today in favor of Mr. Price (Democrat), the sitting member. The committee concluded unanimously that Mr. Besitie was not entitled to the seat on

the showing made. Washington, Jan. 15.—The house com mittee on commerce today voted to report favorably a bill authorizing the Sierre Madre Construction company to construct or acquire a bridge across the Rio Grande at ElPaso, Tex. Washington, Jan. 15.—The house com-mittee on public buildings today author-

ized favorable reports on senate public buildings bilis, as follows: Aberdeep, S. D., 110,000: Tacoma, Wash., \$400,000; Sa-lem, Ore., \$100,000 lem, Ore. \$100,000.
Washington, Jan. 12.—The Republican oreering committee has decided to give the Nivaragua canal bill the first place in

the senste order of business SENATE APPROPRIATIONS. Washington, Jan. 15.-The senate cor mittee on appropriations today complet-ed the consideration of the legislative xecutive and judicial appropriation increasing the appropriation over that made by the house to the extent of \$50,455 making a total of \$21,725,854. The prin-'pal changes made in the bill are in the

BULLETIN OF The Wichita Baily Eagle. NINE FISHERS ADRIFT

Wichita, Saturday, January 16, 1897.

Fair: warme Sun-Rises, 7:20; sets, 5:00, Moon-Waxing; sets, 5:49,

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Death of Bawailan Minister Willia

Cable Companies Loom up Again with the secretary of the treasury. The bill makes an appropriation of \$10,000 to carry into effect the law providing for the location of an assay office at Dead-

wood, S. D. CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT. Washington, Jan. 15.—A bill fixing the age for retirement from the classified civil service was introduced today by Representative Gillett of Massachusetts. It provides that any office in the classi-fied service held by a person who at the lime of the passage of the act is over 62 years of age, shall become vacant in three years. Every office in the service shall bereafter become vacant when the person holding it becomes 65 years of age. Veterans of the civil war and their widows are excepted from the provisions

of the bill. "FREE" BUT NOT "UNLIMITED" Where the Republican Senators Draw the Line in the Wolcott Rill.

Washington, Jan. 15 .- The adjourned Republican senatorial caucus, which was held in the senate marble room today, did not result in any changes in the bill

to appoint five or more commissioners to such international conference, and for compensation of said commissioners and for all reasonable expenses connected therewith, to be approved by the secre-tary of state, including the proportion to be paid by the United States of the joint expenses of any such conference the sum of 100,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appro-

RIOWA AND COMANCHE LANDS To be Made the Subject of a Separate House

Washington, Jan. 15.-The house Indian committee has dropped from its bill the proposition to ratify the treaty for the Kiowa and Comanche Indian lands n Oklahoma. This treaty called for pay-nent of \$2,000,000 to the Indians and would have been subject to a point of order in the house which would have stricken it from the bill. On a reconsideration of the subject the committee decided that it could more properly be brought before the house as a separate bill, the form in which it was originally

Those at Detroit and Omaha Ready for Fostal Purposes.

Washington, Jan. 15.-In a letter to the postmaster in regard to the condition of the progress of work on postoffice buildings now under construction, Secretary Carlisic says that the build-ings in Omaha and Detroit will be com-pleted so far as their use for postal service is concerned on or before June 30 next. This information is necessary to the postoffice department in order to arrange their leases for the fiscal year in cases where private buildings at

Washington, Jan. 15 - Secretary Carlisie has sent a letter to the posimuster general informing him of the probable time a number of the public buildings now in course of erection will be com-pleted and ready for occupancy. Pol-lowing are inclued in the names of the not yet known. cities and the probable rates of comple-tion: Stoux City, Iowa, February 28, 1807; Kansas City, Mo., June 20, 1808; Omaha, Neb., December 31, 1897; Pueblic

Col., April 30, 1598. WHAT'S WILLIAM'S GAME NOW? Goes Clear Over Into Mexico to do Some

Decorating.

Berlin, Jan. 15.—The Reconsangeiger ficially arinounces that President Diaz Mexico has been decorated by Emper-William with the Grand Cross of the Red Eagle. The Mexican finance and for eign ministers it is also announced, have seen decorated by his majesty with the

Order of the Crown. TO ANNEX THE BENIN KINGDOM Just as Everyhody Knew They Would From the Segioning.
London, Jan. 15.—The Chronicle says

it is authorized to announce that it has been determined to annex the Bosin kingdom and depose the king on account of the massacre of the British exped-

coast, reports that an Englishman, be-lieved to be Mr. Powis, one of the civil-ians witht the British expedition to Benin, has been captured and taken to Be nin. His fale is unknown. London, Jan. 36-The Chronicle this

STRIP OF ICE MILES LONG. BREATS LOOSE IN GREEN BAY.

WIND COMES A GALE

BEARING ICE AND FISHERMAN OUT INTO LAKE MICHIGAN.

BOATS PULL OUT IN PURSUIT

NO LATER TIDINGS THAN THE DE-PARTURE OF THE BOATS.

Bare Escaped or Been Rescued - Or phans' Home Burned in Texas,

Menominee, Mich., Jan. 15.-Tonight nine men are clinging to a block of ice a few rods square that is being driven out of Green Bay into Lake Michigan by a fierce southerly gale. The wind is blowing thirty miles an hour and carries on a zero temperature an occasional snow squall. The men are fishermen, clad only in the none too heavy clothing worn while tending their nets, and unless the ice floe has been blown against Chambers Island or Green Island there is little possibility that they will live through the night. The doomel men are residents of the little fishing village of Menekaunce, and their wives and children and neighbors are spending the night on the mountains of

ice that fringe the beach, weeping. The missing men are: NELS, MATTON. OTTO CHRISTIANSON. ED. HOFFMAN LARS LARSON MATT HALGREN. THOMAS KNUTSON.

TOM LUND.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock a strip of ice about ten miles long, extending souls from the mouth of the Menomines river, broke from the west shore and was ca-

secretary of the interior for the reason for his refusal to issue patents to lands for his refusal to issue patents to lands for his refusal to issue patents to lands for his refusal to issue patents to land and the senate marble room today, the best was sold by the Union Pacific in the state of Utah was adopted empowering the committee on elections toproceed in the Benoit-Boatner contested election of the Benoit-Boatner contested election of the Benoit-Boatner contested election of the Benoit-Boatner was unseated at the last seater with a view to obtaining action before assert from the Fifth Louisiana district, with a view to obtaining action before on the close of the present session. Mr. Boatner was unseated at the last seater with a view to obtaining action before the election.

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The bills favorably acted upon by the committee of the whole on the last private of

MEET DEATH IN A PIRE Orphans Home in 1-xas Parned With the Loss of F ve Lives, Dallas, Tex., Jan. 15.-At a late house phan's home, five miles from this cit was destroyed by fire. Five boys perisi d in the flames and several others were

urned. The dead are; CARLOS JONES. BIRDIE BRITTON. MILTON BRITTON.

MARTIN BRITTON. Unknown child. Before Mrs. Britton, the Soy's mathe more are seritor, the boys matron, retired for the night, she had the boys clean out and prepare a stove situated in the room just under her's, for the morning fire. This was her usual custom. She then sent one of the kirgs boys, upon whom she depende regularly, for work of the kind, to see if the work for work of the kind, to see if the work had been properly done. He reported that everything was all right and she then retired. She had been in hed but a short time when she smelled smoke and immediately jumped up to investigate. Even the floor under her feet was almost too hot to stand on, and she raised the alarm and runners were sent to all the rooms to alarm the children and get them out of the building as quickly as possible. In her anxiety to get the children out she neglected to assist those who were in her room. After seeing a large percentage of the children had been re-moved from the building and that others would be out in a few minutes, she sud-denly remembered her own children, and, running to her own room, endeavored to resome them. She was to towever, the fire having already She was too late her own room, and, although she the flames with desperate real, she was compelled to retreat with the affrighted cries of her children ringing in her ears. knowing they were doomed to death. In the confusion wales regard where to children were being hurriedly assisted from the building, many nere overlook-cl and several of the little fellows wern seriously burned. The building with all his furniture was destroyed. The love is

ONE CENT AS GOOD AS PIVE Sugar Trust's Cut in Coffee Solely a Matter

Toledo, O., Jan. 15.-In the common pleas court today the hearing of the moion for the appointment of a receiver for the Wooleun Spire company, brought by the Arbuckles, was postponed until Jan-uary 22. The defendants filed a motion o dissolve the injunction and in agreeing or a continuance, Mr. Lewis, attorney or the Woolsons, stated that the allegadefendants stand ready to furnish a bond to any sum the court may name that the net profit of the concern for any reason-able time in the future will be equal to the net profit for any equal period in the

Mr. Herman Selloken of New York, who will enter the Woolson directory as the direct representative of the Have-myers, in an injerview today said that the Wooleon crock was not purchased by the American Sugar Refining company, or in trust for it, but for the personal use or in trust for it, but for the personal use of Havemyer and other eastern purchasers. He says the cut in price was to give the purchaser the benefit of the recent charp fall in the price of green coffer, due to the enormous crop; and that the Wochon plant will be duplicated by the erection of a second facinry immediately thus doubling the output. The present London, Jan. 16.—The Chronicle this morning publishes an interview with Professor Herron, of lows, in which he decares that the people generally throughout the United States approve putting out 4.286 cases of column control of the case of the cases of column control of the case of the cas putting out 4,200 cases of coffee every